GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

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PRODUCTION OF PULSES AND OILSEEDS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether several Government and Non-Governmental Organisations are engaged inincreasing the production of pulses and oilseeds and developing high yielding varieties of pulses and oilseeds;

(b) if so, the names of such organizations and the estimated increase in the production of pulses and oilseeds during the next two years; and

(c) whether this increase would be sufficient to meet the domestic demand?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a)&(b): The Government of India is implementing Centrally Sponsored National Pulses Development Project (NPDP) and Oilseeds Production Programme (OPP) to increase theproduction of pulses and oilseeds in the country. These Programmes are being implemented through State Governments. Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) is the nodal agency for developing high yielding varieties of pulses and oilseeds.

The proposed production of pulses and oilseeds during the next 2 years (projected) is as under:-

(In Lakh Tonnes)

Year	Oilseeds	Pulses
2002-03	233.0	144.0
2003-04	247.0	148.0

(c): No, Sir.